



## FOOTBALL COACHING APPLICATION

\*\*\*Thank you for getting involved! With people like you, we will keep this organization moving forward for the kids! Please take a moment to give the Harrisonburg Youth Football Board some background information and insight into your coaching interests.

Submit application to Erik Dart at [Erik.Dart@harrisonburgva.gov](mailto:Erik.Dart@harrisonburgva.gov) or 305 S. Dogwood Dr, Harrisonburg, VA 22801.  
Contact: Erik at 540-433-9168.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Per regulations, all coaches must pass a background check thus the need for SSN. All information is kept confidential.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever pled guilty or no contest to, or been convicted of a felony, misdemeanor, or DUI? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please give dates and explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: Married \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: Sons \_\_\_\_\_ Daughters \_\_\_\_\_ Have a valid Driver's License? \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the highest year completed in school:

School:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
College:	1	2	3	4	Post Grad:	1	2	3	4			

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you played organized Football before? \_\_\_\_\_ At what level? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you coached Football before? \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years: \_\_\_\_\_

List any training you have as a coach of any sport: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Certifications (CPR, medical, teacher, concussion, counselor, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children in the upcoming football program? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what level(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Coaching Preference (circle):    -Head Coach    -Asst. Coach    -Either Head or Assistant

Level Preference (circle):    -Junior    -Peewee    -Flag    -No preference (any will do)

Team Preference or Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not get your exact preference, would you consider another position/level/team to help the organization? \_\_\_\_\_

If your preference is HEAD COACH, how many Assistant Coaches would you prefer to have? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this coaching opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate your knowledge of the following topics with regard to football and coaching by writing in the appropriate number (1, 2, 3):

**Key:** 1. I know very little

2. I have reasonably good knowledge

3. I know a great deal

Rules of Football: \_\_\_\_\_

Organizing Practice: \_\_\_\_\_

Equipment Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Developing Sportsmanship: \_\_\_\_\_

Communication Skills: \_\_\_\_\_

Working with Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Ability to Teach Skills of Sport: \_\_\_\_\_

Injury Prevention and Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

Motivating Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Working with Parents: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are an experienced coach, would you be willing to serve as a Mentor to our new coaches (while still keeping your own coaching responsibilities) to help a new coach learn the system and share your methods of working with kids? Yes Maybe No

If you are a relatively new coach, would you be interested in having the Board assign an experienced Coaching Mentor to work with you and share their experiences and lessons learned during your 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year as a coach? Yes Maybe No

*Please answer the following by typing / printing neatly. Use the back or a blank piece of paper if additional space is needed:*

1) If selected, are you willing to pose for a group picture and/or be interviewed for a press release to the local newspaper and TV stations? (NOTE: declining to do so will not preclude you from being selected as a coach) \_\_\_\_\_

2) Why do you want to coach for Harrisonburg Youth Football? \_\_\_\_\_

3) What do you hope to gain personally from coaching? \_\_\_\_\_

4) How would you briefly describe your coaching philosophy? \_\_\_\_\_

5) The Board expects our coaches to constantly help improve our organization for the kids. We even encourage coaches (who have the time) to attend Board meetings. Are you willing to discuss your ideas, concerns, & suggestions with Board members whenever possible?

6) Are you willing to attend free continuing education classes to better your knowledge of the game, sports safety, & coaching in general?

I give permission for the Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department to conduct a background check on me which may include a review of criminal and child abuse records maintained by governmental agencies. I understand that if appointed, my position is conditional upon the Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department receiving no inappropriate information on my background. I hereby release and agree to hold harmless from liability to the local league, employees and volunteers thereof, or any other person or organization that may provide such information. I also understand that regardless of previous appointments I may not be appointed to a volunteer position. If appointed I understand that, prior to expiration of my term, I am subject to suspension by the Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department.

**Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Please Print)

NOTE: The local league and the Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department will not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, sex or sexual orientation, or disability.

**Please list two references:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
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